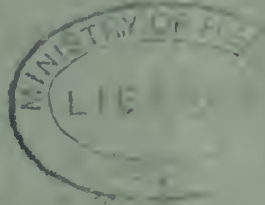


HONOURABLE SOCIETIES
of the
INNER AND MIDDLE TEMPLES.

REPORT of the
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
for the year 1953.



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(a) The Sub-Treasurer and Sanitary Authority for the
Inner Temple.

(b) The Under-Treasurer and Sanitary Authority for the
Middle Temple.

GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to submit herewith my Annual Report
on the sanitary circumstances and sanitary administration
relating to the Inner and Middle Temples for the year 1953.

POPULATION OF AREA (1950) - estimate by Registrar-
General - 159.

BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

(a) BIRTHS: No births were registered during
the year.

(b) DEATHS: No deaths of residents occurred
within or without the district.

(P.T.O.)

INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

No case of infectious disease was notified to me as having occurred within the district during 1953. A number of infectious disease contracts were supervised, the Chambers concerned being disinfected.

The general health of the district is good.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES.

Details of work done during the year have been supplied to me by your Sanitary Inspectors. Defective sanitary fittings have been promptly repaired and further repairs and replacements have been carried out to waste, soil and rain pipes, so far as present restrictions allow. In the Inner Temple, five defective water closets and flushing cisterns have been replaced by new pedestal closets. In the Middle Temple, eight sets of residential Chambers and eleven new business Chambers were rebuilt, and each set provided with modern sanitary accommodation. In each case new lavatory fittings were provided.

The drainage system generally is sound but defects consequent on enemy action were found in the main sewer in Middle Temple Lane and south of Temple Church and were promptly dealt with.

Arrangements for daily removal and disposal of dust and refuse have proved adequate. During the year many new sanitary dustbins have been provided to replace those worn-out. Footways and roads have been swept daily and the roads watered during hot weather. The loose gravel surface of roads has been replaced by an efficient tar-macadam dressing.

Copies of this report are being transmitted to the Ministry of Health and other Authorities, in accordance with statutory requirements.

I have the honour to be, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

W.H.L. McCarthy.

Medical Officer of Health,
Honourable Societies of the
Inner and Middle Temples.

9th September, 1954.